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CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)
TOTAL CLAIMS	12	
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
TOTAL CHARGEABLE CLAIMS	12 minus 20= *	* 4
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4 minus 3 =	1
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT		<input type="checkbox"/>

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT A	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	* 12	Minus	** 20 =
Independent	* 4	Minus	*** 4 =
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

SMALL ENTITY TYPE		OTHER THAN OR SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	FEES	RATE	FEES
BASIC FEE	385.00	OR BASIC FEE	770.00
XS 9=		OR XS18=	
X43=		OR X86=	86
+145=		OR +290=	
TOTAL		OR TOTAL	256

SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN OR SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		OR X\$18=	
X43=		OR X86=	
+145=		OR +290=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	* 16	Minus	** =
Independent	* 6	Minus	*** 4 = 2
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

RATE		ADDITIONAL FEE	
X\$ 9=		OR X\$18=	
X43=		OR X86=	172
+145=		OR +290=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	172

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT C	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	* Minus	** =	
Independent	* Minus	*** =	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

RATE		ADDITIONAL FEE	
X\$ 9=		OR X\$18=	
X43=		OR X86=	
+145=		OR +290=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

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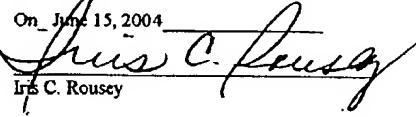
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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-identified continuation application, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

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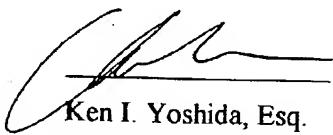
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Conclusion

Based upon the above reasons, the Applicant respectfully submit to the Examiner that the currently pending claims 1 through 16 should be in condition for allowance and respectfully requests a favorable Office Action so indicating.

Respectfully submitted,



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